

HOUSE BILL 1201

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 10, Part 1; Title 2, Chapter 10, Part 2; Title 3, Chapter 1, Part 1; Title 3, Chapter 6, Part 1; Title 3, Chapter 6, Part 2; Title 4, Chapter 55 and Title 8, Chapter 50, Part 5, relative to government reform.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-10-110, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(g) No settlement in which the aggregate amount of assessed civil penalties exceeds twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) shall be accepted by the registry unless the settlement proposal is considered at either a regular meeting or, notwithstanding § 2-10-203(f), a special meeting called by the chair in which at least twenty-four (24) hours' notice is given to each member of the registry and each party seeking a settlement proposal. If a special meeting is called pursuant to this subsection (g), an agenda for the meeting must be placed on the home page of the registry website at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting. The agenda must include the style of the matters to be discussed, and the special meeting must be limited to consideration of the matters listed on the agenda.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-10-203, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

Each regular meeting agenda must be published on the registry's website at least five (5) business days prior to the date of the meeting.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-6-103, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

Each regular meeting agenda must be published on the commission's website at least five (5) business days prior to the date of the meeting.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-6-205, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(c) No settlement in which the aggregate amount of assessed civil penalties exceeds twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) shall be accepted by the commission unless the settlement proposal is considered at either a regular meeting or, notwithstanding § 3-6-103(f), a special meeting called by the chair in which at least twenty-four (24) hours' notice is given to each member of the commission and each party seeking a settlement proposal. If a special meeting is called pursuant to this subsection (c), an agenda for the meeting must be placed on the home page of the commission's website at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting. The agenda must include the style of the matters to be discussed, and the special meeting must be limited to consideration of the matters listed on the agenda.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4-55-101, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

Each regular meeting agenda must be published on the bureau's website at least five (5) business days prior to the date of the meeting.

SECTION 6. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.